

REMARKS

Restriction/Election

Applicants submit that it would not be an undue burden to examine the full scope of the subject matter defined in the claims, particularly, claim 37 and the claims which depend thereon.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Applicants maintain that there is adequate written description for the subject matter defined by all claims when considered as a whole. The language objected to pertains to substituents which appear on well-defined urea compounds. One of ordinary skill in the art would recognize that applicants have possession of compounds with such broadly defined substituents based on the preferred values given for R_y, R_z, R_a, R_b, R_g, etc., as well as the numerous examples of these groups given in the specification.

Scope of Enablement

Applicants maintain all claims satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph. Both the generic and specific disclosure teach how to make and use the full scope of compounds defined by formula I herein. The specification provides both general and specific methods for making compounds consistent with formula I and both dosages and methods of administering these compounds are given within the specification. The examiner has not provided any evidence to demonstrate otherwise.

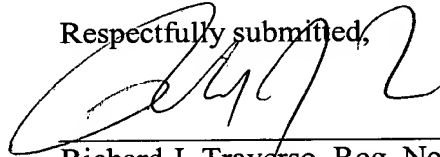
Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph

Applicants have amended claims 39 and 41 and the method of treatment claims such that this rejection is now moot.

Based on the above remarks, applicants submit that the examination of all claimed subject should continue, and that claims which conform to the elected subject matter, i.e., claims 37-48, are in condition for allowance.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

Respectfully submitted,



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